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E.O. 11652: DECONTROL UPON SIGNING OF AGREEMENT

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SUBJECT: PL 480 TITLE ONE AGREEMENT

REF: A) COLOMBO 807; B) COLOMBO 793

1. PARA TWO OF COLOMBO 793 REQUESTED ADVICE ON FY 1975
LIMITATIONS ON EXPENDITURE MENTIONED PARA FOUR OF STATE
33872. PART ONE,ARTICLE ONE, B.2 OF AGREEMENT INDICATES
SUPPLY OF COMMODITIES IS SUBJECT TO THEIR AVAILABILITY.
IN ADDITION PART ONE, ARTICLE ONE E. IN EFFECT PUTS CEILING
ON AMOUNT OF COMMODITIES TO BE SUPPLIED IN TERMS BOTH PRICE
AND QUANTITY. IN OTHER WORDS SRI LANKA WILL RECEIVE ONLY
APPROXIMATELY 100,000 TONS OF WHEAT FLOUR EVEN IF DECLINING
PRICES MEANS THIS QUANTITY COSTS LESS THAN \$24.5 MILLION
ALLOCATED. ON OTHER HAND IF WHEAT FLOUR PRICES RISE,
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\$24.5 MILLION ALLOCATION WILL BE OPERATIVE CEILING WHICH

COULD RESULT IN SUPPLY OF COMMODITIES SOMEWHAT LESS THAN
100,000 TONS.

2. REGARDING PARA THREE, COLOMBO 793, REFERENCE TO
LANGUAGE OF AGREEMENT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN A NEW ITEM
SEVEN OF PART TWO (FOLLOWING LAST PARA OF STATE 33872)
ENTITLED QUOTE OTHER PROVISIONS UNQUOTE. AS YOU PROPOSE

ITEM SHOULD READ QUOTE IN CASE OF AN INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN
THE SINHALA AND ENGLISH TEXTS OF THIS AGREEMENT, THE
ENGLISH TEXT SHALL PREVAIL UNQUOTE. IN ADDITION, PART
THREE B. SECOND SECTION SHOULD BE AMENDED TO READ QUOTE
DONE AT COLOMBO, IN DUPLICATE, IN ENGLISH AND SINHALA,
THIS (BLANK) DAY OF (BLANK), 1975.

3. WITH REGARD PROPOSAL CONTAINED COLOMBO 807, WE CONCUR
IN SUBSTITUTION OF TERM QUOTE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF SRI LANKA UNQUOTE WHERE NECESSARY THROUGHOUT AGREEMENT.
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